Grand Royal Arch Chapter.

1858.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The Annual Meeting of the M.E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, was held at the Masonic Temple, Boston, on Tuesday evening, 7th of September, A. D. 1858, R. A. M. 2388.

PRESENT:

M.E. WENDELL T. DAVIS,	Grand High Priest.
E. WILLIAM PARKMAN,	Grand King.
" JOEL SPALDING,	Grand Scribe.
Comp. WM. H. L. SMITH,	Gr. Captain of Host, *p. t.*
" JAMES KIMBALL,	Gr. Principal Sojourner.
" SAMUEL MASON, Jr.,	Grand R. A. Captain.
" WM. L. BATCHELDER,	Grand Master 3d Vail.
" SYLVESTER BAXTER,	Grand Master 2d Vail.
" ISRAEL F. CRAFTS,	Grand Master 1st Vail.
" PETER C. JONES,	Grand Treasurer.
" THOMAS WATERMAN,	Grand Secretary.
" CHESTER SANDERSON,	Grand Steward.
" JOHN MCCLELLAN,	Committee of Finance.
" WYZEMAN MARSHALL,	
" SOLON THORNTON,	
" WM. C. MARTIN,	Grand Tyler.

Permanent Members.

CHARLES W. MOORE, ABRAHAM A. DAME,

ROBERT KEITH, HORACE CHENERY,
EBENEZER W. TOLMAN, SAM'L K. HUTCHINSON,

The following Chapters were represented, viz:—St. Andrew's, King Cyrus, Washington, Morning Star, St. Paul's, Thomas, Worcester, Mount Horeb, Sutton, Mount Lebanon, St. John's, Orient, and Pentucket.

The Grand Chapter was opened in ample form, and the records of the last meeting read and approved.

The report of the Committee on the communication from the Grand Chapter of Canada, presented at the last meeting, was taken from the table, and on motion of M.E. Comp. Keith, accepted.

M.E. Comp. Dame, in behalf of the Committee appointed for that purpose, submitted the following report, which was read, amended, and adopted as follows, viz:

The Committee appointed to frame an additional Article to the Regulations of this Grand Chapter, relative to the election of Trustees of the Funds, have attended to that duty, and respectfully submit for consideration the following Article, namely:

ARTICLE XIV.

There shall be a Board of Trustees of the Funds of the Grand Chapter, consisting of the Grand Treasurer, and two companions to be elected by ballot for the term of three years, and to constitute during that time, a permanent part of the Board; and provided a vacancy shall occur by death, resignation, or any cause, it shall be reported to the Grand Chapter at the next quarterly communication, at which time the vacancy shall be filled.

The Board of Trustees thus constituted, shall be styled, "The Trustees of the Funds of the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts."

Your Commmittee recommend, that the present Article XIV. of

the Particular Regulations, be altered by striking out XIV. and inserting XV., so that the said Article will be Article XV.

Submitted by

ABRAHAM A. DAME, } *Committee.*
JOHN MCCLELLAN, }

M.E. Solon Thornton, in behalf of the Committee of Finance, presented the following report on the state of the Finances of the Grand Chapter, viz:

The Finance Committee of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, for the year ending September 7th, 1858, have attended to the duty of examining the accounts of the Grand Treasurer, and make the following report, viz:

There was in the hands of the Grand Treasurer at the commencement of the Masonic year, the sum of	$597 26	
He has received from eighteen Chapters,	785 00	
Dividends on Bank Stock,	75 00	
Interest on City Scrip,	25 00	
Interest on Loan,	21 20	
Making a total of		$1,503 46
He has paid for City Scrip,	$1008 33	
Printing Diplomas,	145 00	
Rent,	50 00	
Charity,	75 00	
Sundry bills,	176 35	
Total,	$1454 68	
Leaving a balance in the Treasury of	48 78	—$1,503 46

The property of the Grand Chapter consists of

Five shares of National Bank Stock, cost	$496 25
Four shares of Eliot Bank Stock, cost	402 75
Two shares of North Bank Stock, cost	202 50
Boston City Scrip (Certificate),	1000 00
Total,	$2101 50

The Committee find the accounts of the Grand Treasurer have been properly kept and vouchers exhibited for all disbursements.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN MCCLELLAN,
WYZEMAN MARSHALL,
SOLON THORNTON,
} *Committee of Finance.*

Boston, Sept. 7, 1858.

Voted, That the Grand Secretary be paid thirty dollars for his services the past year.

The M.E. Grand High Priest reported, that he had visited several of the Subordinate Chapters under the jurisdiction during the past year, and found them in a healthy and prosperous condition. After some further remarks, he announced his intention of not being a candidate for re-election, as he expected soon to take up his residence without the jurisdiction.

Voted to proceed to the choice of officers for the year ensuing. A return of the Grand Chapter was taken, when it was found there were thirty-five legal voters present.

Comps. Samuel Mason, Jr., James Kimball, and Sylvester Baxter, were appointed a Committee to collect, sort, and count the votes.

The following companions were duly elected to the several offices set against their names, viz:

JOHN MCCLELLAN of Boston,	Grand High Priest.
ISAAC P. SEAVEY of Newburyport,	Deputy Grand High Priest.
WM. H. L. SMITH of Boston,	Grand King.
JAMES KIMBALL of Salem,	Grand Scribe.
C. C. HUTCHINSON of Lowell,	Grand Captain of the Host.
WM. L. BATCHELDER of Salem,	Grand Principal Sojourner.

SAMUEL MASON, Jr. of Boston,	Grand R. A. Captain.
DANIEL GRANT, Jr. of Boston,	Grand Master 3d Vail.
ALEXANDER K. BRYER of Boston,	Grand Master 2d Vail.
JAMES A. MAYNARD of Boston,	Grand Master 1st Vail.
PETER C. JONES of Boston,	Grand Treasurer.
THOMAS WATERMAN of Boston,	Grand Secretary.
WILLIAM PARKMAN, WILLIAM H. L. SMITH,	Trustees of the Funds.

The election having been completed, it was *Voted* to proceed to the installation of the officers, when M.E. John McClellan, Grand High Priest elect, was duly installed as Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts for the ensuing Masonic year, by his predecessor in office, M.E. Wendell T. Davis. The other Grand Officers were then presented by M.E. Ebenezer W. Tolman, the oldest Past Grand Officer present, and installed in due form by the M.E. Grand High Priest.

The following appointments were announced from the Chair, and approved by the Grand Chapter, viz:

Rev. NOAH M. GAYLORD,	Grand Chaplain.
M.E. SAM'L K. HUTCHINSON, Comp. EDWARD P. GRAVES,	Grand Lecturers.
" EDWARD B. MOORE,	Senior Grand Steward.
" CHESTER SANDERSON,	Junior Grand Steward.
" WYZEMAN MARSHALL, " SOLON THORNTON, " ANDREW LANERGAN,	Committee of Finance.
" THOMAS WATERMAN, " EDWARD P. GRAVES, " JOHN F. FELLOWS,	Committee of Charity.
" WILLIAM C. MARTIN,	Grand Tyler.

The usual proclamation was then made.

Voted, That the Grand Secretary cause the Proceedings of the Grand Chapter for the past two years to be printed.

The Grand Secretary gave notice, that since the last stated meeting of this Grand Chapter, the printed Proceedings of the following Grand Chapters had been received, viz: Missouri, Mississippi, Michigan, Maine, Florida, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Wisconsin, California, and Connecticut.

The following resolution, offered by M.E. Comp. Wm. H. L. Smith, was unanimously adopted, and ordered to be placed upon the records, viz:

Whereas, This Grand Chapter has been informed of the extreme sickness under which our M.E. Past Grand High Priest, Stephen Lovell, is now suffering, and mindful of his services for a long time, so devoted to the Grand Chapter, of the interest he has always taken in all that concerns it—therefore it is appropriate that we should now speak to him a word of sympathy, and that we do hereby tender to our afflicted companion our sincere sympathy in his sufferings, and express our hopes and belief, that he will be supported in his severest trials, by that faith and hope, which he has so long professed and taught to us, his companions and friends.

Voted, That a copy of the foregoing be presented to M.E. Comp. Lovell, and that M.E. Comp. Smith be a Committee for that purpose.

Voted, That the Grand Treasurer be authorized to present to M.E. Comp. Stephen Lovell, the sum of one hundred dollars, from the funds of the Grand Chapter.

On motion of Comp. Chase of Haverhill, it was *Voted*, That a Committee of Correspondence be appointed for this Grand Chapter.

The Chair nominated Comps. George W. Chase, Solon Thornton, and Wm. H. L. Smith, to constitute the Committee aforesaid, which was approved by the Grand Chapter.

On motion of M.E. Comp. Marshall, it was *Voted, unanimously*, That the thanks of the Grand Chapter be presented to M.E. Wendell Thornton Davis, for his faithful and very acceptable services in the office of Grand High Priest the past year.

M.E. Comp. Davis responded to this vote in a few brief and appropriate remarks.

Parts of lectures were given on the Mark and Royal Arch degrees, and the Grand Chapter closed in ample form.

Attest,

THOMAS WATERMAN,

Grand Secretary.

The following return was made to the Grand Secretary of the M.E. General Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the United States, viz:

The Annual Meeting of the M.E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, was held at the Masonic Temple, Boston, on Tuesday evening, 7th September, A. D. 1858, when the following Grand Officers were duly elected and qualified, viz:

JOHN MCCLELLAN of Boston,	Grand High Priest.
ISAAC P. SEAVEY of Newburyport,	Deputy Grand High Priest.
WM. H. L. SMITH of Boston,	Grand King.
JAMES KIMBALL of Salem,	Grand Scribe.
C. C. HUTCHINSON of Lowell,	Grand Captain of the Host.
WM. L. BATCHELDER of Salem,	Gr. Principal Sojourner.
SAMUEL MASON, Jr., of Boston,	Grand R. A. Captain.
DANIEL GRANT, Jr., of Boston,	Grand Master 3d Vail.
ALEXANDER K. BRYER of Boston,	Grand Master 2d Vail.
JAMES A. MAYNARD of Boston,	Grand Master 1st Vail.
PETER C. JONES of Boston,	Grand Treasurer.
THOMAS WATERMAN of Boston,	Grand Secretary.

The following Chapters are under our jurisdiction, viz:

St. Andrew's,	Boston.
King Cyrus,	Newburyport.
Washington,	Salem.
Adoniram,	New Bedford.
Morning Star,	Springfield.
St. Paul's,	Boston.
Mount Zion,	Stoughton.
Thomas,	Fitchburg.
Franklin,	Greenfield.
Worcester,	Worcester.
Northampton,	Northampton.
Concord,	Framingham.
Mount Horeb,	Lowell.
Sutton,	Sutton.
Mount Lebanon,	Milford.
St. John's,	East Boston.
Chapter of the Shekinah,	Chelsea.
Orient,	Hyannis.
Pentucket,	Haverhill.

Grand R. A. Chapter of Massachusetts,
Boston, 25th September, 1858.

To Benj. B. French, Esq., *General Grand Sec'y of the General Grand R. A. Chapter of the United States, Washington, D. C.*

M.E. Companion: I herewith transmit a list of the officers of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, for the current Masonic year, together with a list of the Chapters under our jurisdiction.

The Proceedings of our Grand Chapter for the past two years will soon be printed, you will be furnished with copies.

I have the honor to be, respectfully and fraternally

Your ob't servant and Companion,

Thomas Waterman, *Grand Secretary.*

STATED MEETING.

A Stated Meeting of the M.E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, was held at Nassau Hall, Boston, on Tuesday evening, the 7th of December, A. D. 1858, R. A. M. 2388.

Present:

M.E. John McClellan,	Grand High Priest.
E. William H. L. Smith,	Grand King.
" James Kimball,	Grand Scribe.
Comp. Alexander K. Bryer,	Gr. Captain of Host, *p. t.*
" Edward P. Graves,	Gr. Prin. Sojourner, *p. t.*
" George W. Chase,	Grand R. A. Captain, *p. t.*
" Daniel Grant, Jr.,	Grand Master 3d Vail.
" Martin W. Long,	Grand Master 2d Vail, *p. t.*
" James A. Maynard,	Grand Master 1st Vail.
" Peter C. Jones,	Grand Treasurer.
" Thomas Waterman,	Grand Secretary.
" Chester Sanderson,	Grand Steward.
" Wyzeman Marshall, " Solon Thornton,	Committee of Finance.
" Eben F. Gay,	Grand Tyler, *pro tem.*

Permanent Members.

Edw'd A. Raymond, Samuel Millard,
Wendell T. Davis, Ebenezer W. Tolman,
William Parkman.

The following Chapters were represented, viz:—St. Andrew's, Franklin, St. Paul's, Thomas, Mount Lebanon, Northampton, St. John's, Chapter of the Shekinah, and Pentucket.

The Grand Chapter was opened in ample form, and the records of the last meeting read and approved.

A petition was presented signed by Lorenzo H. Gamwell, Abel Wetherbee, Andrew A. Richmond, Daniel Chapman,

G. A. Murdock, Charles M. Wheldon, Edward F. Ensign, Josiah Carter, and Franklin Weston, praying for a Warrant empowering them to organize a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, in the town of Pittsfield, to be called "Berkshire Chapter." This petition having been read, was committed to M.E. Comps. Wendell T. Davis, Edward P. Graves, and George H. Sherwin. The Committee subsequently submitted the following report, which was read and unanimously accepted, viz:

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of Lorenzo H. Gamwell and eight other regular Royal Arch Masons, for a Dispensation to issue, that they may hold meetings to confer the Chapter degrees, at Pittsfield, report, that the petitioners have complied with the Regulations of the Grand Chapter, and that the necessity for such a Chapter has been made sufficiently to appear to your Committee. They therefore recommend that the M.E. Grand High Priest be requested to issue his Dispensation for the same.

WENDELL T. DAVIS,
EDWARD P. GRAVES, } *Committee.*
GEORGE H. SHERWIN,

The petition of John T. Jordan, David Allen, John Warner, Elias Smith, John Crosby, Henry Fobes, Thomas Smith, Simon Pepper, and Stephen Douglas, for leave to organize a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in the town of Enfield, to be called "King Solomon's Chapter," was presented and referred to M.E. Comps. Tracy P. Cheever, Samuel Millard, and Solon Thornton. The Committee subsequently reported that the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted, and this report was unanimously accepted.

M.E. and Rev. Comp. Flint, in a few brief and pertinent remarks announced the decease of M.E. and Rev. Stephen Lovell, Past Grand High Priest of this Grand Chapter, and

moved that a Committee be appointed to draft suitable resolutions, expressive of our sorrow for the death of our M.E. Comp. Lovell. The Chair appointed the following M.E. Companions to constitute the Committee aforesaid, viz: Rev. Wm. Flint, Wm. H. L. Smith, and Wendell T. Davis.

Voted, That the Grand Treasurer be authorized to pay to the widow of our late Comp. Joseph Foster, a sum not exceeding twenty-five dollars, as a charitable donation.

A letter from Mrs. Emeline P. Lovell was read and ordered to be placed on file.

M.E. Comp. Thornton moved that the vote of September 7th, 1857, relative to the mode of work on the Royal Arch degree be rescinded. The subject was debated by the mover and several other companions, and unanimously adopted.

The following resolutions were submitted by Comp. Geo. W. Chase, viz:—

Resolved, That this Grand Chapter does not recognize the right or the privilege of a Grand Chapter, owing allegiance to the General Grand Chapter, to withdraw from said General Grand Chapter except by its consent, previously asked for and obtained.

Resolved, That the action of the Grand Chapters of North Carolina and Kentucky, in their (so called) withdrawal from the General Grand Chapter, without even the poor formality of previous notice of intention or complaint, is not only in the highest degree discourteous to their sister Grand Chapters, but a violation of the most solemn vows of a Royal Arch Mason.

The foregoing resolutions having been read, were referred to a Committee consisting of M.E. Comps. Geo. W. Chase, Wm. H. L. Smith, Solon Thornton, Wendell T. Davis, and Wyzeman Marshall, to consider and report at the next stated meeting of the Grand Chapter.

By order of the M.E. Grand High Priest, the work on the Mark Master's degree was exemplified; Comp. Edward P. Graves, Grand Lecturer, presiding.

M.E. Comp. Thornton, offered the following amendment to Article 15th of the Grand Regulations, viz:

"No candidate residing in any town where one or more Chapters are holden under the jurisdiction, shall be exalted in any other Chapter within the jurisdiction, without the consent of the High Priest, King and Scribe of each of the Chapters in the town where said candidate resides."

In conformity with the Grand Regulations, the foregoing proposition lays over to the next stated meeting of the Grand Chapter.

The Grand Chapter was then called from labor to refreshment, until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, December 8, 1858.

The Grand Chapter was called from refreshment to labor at 10 o'clock, A. M. M.E. James Kimball, Grand Scribe, in the chair.

The Grand Lecturer proceeded to exemplify the work on the Royal Arch degree. The various parts of the work were severely criticised by companions of the several Chapters, it appearing there was considerable want of uniformity in the work under this jurisdiction.

On motion of Comp. Chase, the following resolve was adopted unanimously, viz:

Resolved, That a Standing Committee of nine be appointed by the M.E. Grand High Priest, to be called the Committee on Work

of this Grand Chapter, whose duty it shall be to decide upon a system of Work and Lectures for this grand jurisdiction, and to exemplify one or more degrees at each session of the Grand Chapter; the system agreed upon by said Committee shall be binding and obligatory upon the Chapters in this jurisdiction, unless a two-thirds majority of the Grand Chapter, on regular motion, shall decide otherwise. All questions and matters relative to the work and lectures, shall be referred to said Committee, and their decision shall be final, except as above provided. The M.E. Grand High Priest of this Grand Chapter shall be ex-officio chairman of said Committee.

In accordance with the foregoing resolve the M.E. Grand High Priest appointed M.E. Comps. Geo. W. Chase, Solon Thornton, Samuel Millard, Wyzeman Marshall, Edward P. Graves, William L. Batchelder, Robert Keith, and William H. L. Smith, a Committee on Work.

On motion of M.E. Comp. Thornton, it was unanimously *Voted*, That the three prayers usually made during the ceremony of the seventh degree be discontinued, their use being an innovation on the ancient work of the degree.

On motion of M.E. Comp. Thornton, it was also *Voted*, That the expenses of the Committee on Work be paid by the Grand Chapter.

The Grand Chapter was closed at 12 o'clock, M.

Attest,

THOMAS WATERMAN,
Grand Secretary.

A Dispensation to Berkshire R. A. Chapter at Pittsfield, was granted to the companions named in the petition, dated 7th December, 1858, to continue one year.

A Dispensation to King Solomon's R. A. Chapter, was executed to the petitioners named in the foregoing record, at Enfield, dated 7th December, 1858, to continue one year.

STATED MEETING.

A Stated Meeting of the M.E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, was held at Nassau Hall, Boston, on Tuesday evening, 8th of March, A. D. 1859, R. A. M. 2389.

PRESENT:

M.E. JOHN MCCLELLAN, . .	Grand High Priest.
M.E. ISAAC P. SEAVEY, . .	Deputy Grand High Priest.
E. WM. H. L. SMITH, . .	Grand King.
" JAMES KIMBALL, . .	Grand Scribe.
Comp. WM. L. BATCHELDER, .	Gr. Capt. of the Host, *p. t.*
" CHARLES C. DAME, .	Gr. Prin. Sojourner, *p. t.*
" EDWARD P. GRAVES, .	Grand R. A. Captain, *p. t.*
" JOSEPH S. PERKINS, .	Grand Master 3d Vail, *p. t.*
" ALEXANDER K. BRYER, .	Grand Master 2d Vail.
" JAMES A. MAYNARD, .	Grand Master 1st Vail.
" PETER C. JONES, . .	Grand Treasurer.
" THOMAS WATERMAN, .	Grand Secretary.
" EDW'D B. MOORE, . .	Senior Grand Steward.
" WYZEMAN MARSHALL, .	Junior Grand Steward, *p. t.*
" JOHN KILTON, . .	Grand Chaplain, *pro tem.*
" WM. C. MARTIN, . .	Grand Tyler.

Permanent Members.

ROBERT KEITH,	JOHN FLINT,
EBEN. W. TOLMAN,	WINSLOW LEWIS,
ABRAHAM A. DAME,	TRACY P. CHEEVER.

The following Chapters were represented, viz:—St. Andrew's, Washington, St. Paul's, Mount Zion, Thomas, Sutton, Northampton, St. John's, Shekinah, Orient, and Pentucket.

The Grand Chapter was opened in ample form, and the records of the last stated meeting read and approved.

The amendment to Article 15th of the Grand Regulations, submitted by M.E. Comp. Thornton at the last meeting of this Grand Chapter, was adopted and is follows, viz:

"No candidate residing in any town or city where one or more Chapters are holden under this jurisdiction, shall be exalted in any other Chapter within the jurisdiction, without the consent of the High Priest, King and Scribe of each of the Chapters in the town or city where said candidate resides."

The Grand Secretary was directed to notify the several Chapters under the jurisdiction of the adoption of the foregoing amendment.

M.E. William H. L. Smith, in behalf of the Committee appointed to draft suitable resolutions in relation to the decease of our M.E. and Rev. Comp. Stephen Lovell, reported progress, and at his request the Committee were granted further time.

M.E. George W. Chase, chairman of the Committee to whom was referred the resolution submitted by him at the last meeting, relative to the secession or withdrawal of certain Grand Chapters from the General Grand Chapter of the United States, presented a voluminous report, which was read, and after debate, it was *Voted*, That the report in question be laid upon the table until after the meeting of the General Grand Chapter in September next.

M.E. Comp. Marshall submitted the following report, which was read, and accepted, as follows, viz:

BOSTON, March 8, 1859.

The Committee appointed to procure suitable apartments for this Grand Chapter to hold its meetings, and to superintend the

removal of its property, in the event the Masonic Temple should be sold, have attended to their duty and respectfully report, viz:

That in connection with other Masonic institutions, they have leased the building known as "Nassau Hall," for the term of two years from the first of last November, for which we are to pay thirty-five hundred dollars per year, and half taxes, amounting to about two hundred dollars more. The lease can be continued for three years longer at a rent of thirty-three hundred dollars per annum, and should the several institutions desire it, the lease can be extended five years longer, after the second term has expired, for three thousand dollars per annum and half the taxes. In each case gas and fuel to be charged extra. Your Committee have also caused the property of this Grand Chapter to be removed to this building (Nassau Hall). The expense of moving and fitting up these apartments, has been assessed pro rata; the amount assessed the Grand Chapter was $47.18, which has been paid.

The Board of Directors of Masonic Apartments have apportioned the rent to the several institutions, as follows:

Grand Lodge,	$1,000
Boston Encampment,	350
De Molay Encampment,	350
Grand Chapter,	200
St. Andrew's Chapter,	300
St. Paul's Chapter,	300
St. John's Lodge,	200
Mount Lebanon Lodge,	200
Columbian Lodge,	200
Winslow Lewis Lodge,	200
Revere Lodge,	200
Massachusetts Lodge,	100
Joseph Warren Lodge,	100
Germania Lodge,	50
Council of Royal Masters,	50
Grand Encampment,	50
	$3,850

Reasonable rent to be charged to other Masonic institutions, which may occupy the apartments. Each institution is entitled to two evenings in each month for sodalities, free of rent, by paying the Tyler.

All of which is respectfully submitted by

WYZEMAN MARSHALL, *Committee.*

On motion of Comp. Waterman, it was *Voted*, That the sum of twenty-five dollars be granted to Comp. John D. Bailey, as a charitable donation, and that the Grand Secretary present the same.

M.E. Comp. Edward P. Graves, Grand Lecturer, having been called to the chair, a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons was opened with the usual ceremonies, when the work on this degree was exemplified, under the supervision of the Committee on Work and Lectures.

The M.E. Grand High Priest resumed the chair, and the Grand Chapter closed in form.

Attest. THOMAS WATERMAN,
Grand Secretary.

STATED MEETING.

A Stated Meeting of the M.E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, was held at Nassau Hall, Boston, on Tuesday evening, 8th June, A. D. 1859, R. A. M. 2389.

PRESENT:

M.E. JOHN MCCLELLAN, . . Grand High Priest.
E. WM. H. L. SMITH, . . Grand King.
" JAMES KIMBALL, . . Grand Scribe.

Comp.	ALEXANDER K. BRYER, .	Gr. Captain of Host, *p. t.*
"	OSGOOD EATON, . .	Gr. Prin. Sojourner, *p. t.*
"	JONAS A. MARSHALL, .	Grand R. A. Captain, *p. t.*
"	DANIEL GRANT, Jr., .	Grand Master 3d Vail.
"	WM. F. KNOWLES, . .	Grand Master 2d Vail, *p. t.*
"	JAMES A. MAYNARD, .	Grand Master 1st Vail.
"	PETER C. JONES, . .	Grand Treasurer.
"	THOMAS WATERMAN, .	Grand Secretary.
"	EDWARD P. GRAVES, .	Grand Lecturer.
"	EBEN F. GAY, . .	Grand Tyler, *pro tem.*

Permanent Members.

E. W. TOLMAN, JOHN FLINT,
SAMUEL MILLARD.

The following Chapters were represented, viz:—St. Andrew's, Washington, St. Paul's, Mount Zion, Thomas, Worcester, St. John's, Shekinah, and Orient.

The Grand Chapter was opened in ample form, and the records of the last meeting read and approved.

M.E. Comp. Smith, in behalf of the Committee appointed to prepare resolutions on the death of our M.E. Comp. Lovell, reported that in consequence of the decease of Rev. Comp. Flint, chairman of said Committee, no report had been prepared for this meeting, and asked for further time. Further time was granted, and Comp. Waterman added to the Committee.

M.E. Comp. Cheever proposed the following amendment to Article XV. of the Grand Regulations, viz: Strike out the word "each," and insert the word "one" in said Article. This proposition lays over until the annual meeting in September next.

On motion of M.E. Comp. Thornton, it was *Voted*, That M.E. John McClellan, Grand High Priest, be appointed a

delegate to represent this Grand Chapter at the triennial meeting of the General Grand Chapter of the United States, to be holden in Chicago, in September next, and that the expenses of the delegate aforesaid be paid by the Grand Chapter.

On motion of M.E. Comp. Thornton, it was *Voted*, That a Committee be appointed to procure suitable jewels and aprons for the past Grand Officers, and also to procure such new regalia for the use of the Grand Chapter as they may find necessary. The M.E. Council, with Comps. T. P. Cheever, W. Marshall, and Peter C. Jones, were appointed the Committee.

An invitation from Middlesex Lodge, Framingham, to unite with that body in celebrating the Festival of St. John the Baptist, on the 24th inst., was received; whereupon it was *Voted*, That the same be accepted, and the several Chapters under the jurisdiction be invited to join the Grand Chapter in the celebration. The Grand Secretary was directed to give notice accordingly.

The Grand Chapter was then closed in form.

Attest,

THOMAS WATERMAN,
Grand Secretary.

The Stated Communications are held in Boston, on the Tuesday next preceding the second Wednesday in March, June, September and December. The Massachusetts Convention of High Priests hold their meetings in Boston, on the same days.

Communications to the Grand Chapter may be directed to THOMAS WATERMAN, Grand Secretary, Boston.